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AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

Current law governing the additional powers of a rural or urban transit district grants a transit district the power to contract with any governmental agency, private individual, or corporation. However, additional powers relating to a transit district's transportation system are not addressed. This bill grants a rural or urban transit district the power to adopt rules for the safe and efficient operation and maintenance of the transit district's transportation system.

H.B. 423 amends current law relating to the powers of rural and urban transit districts.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

This bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Section 458.011, Transportation Code, as follows:

Sec. 458.011. **ADDITIONAL POWERS OF RURAL OR URBAN TRANSIT DISTRICT.** (a) Creates this subsection from existing text. Makes no further changes to this subsection.

(b) Authorizes the governing body of a rural or urban transit district by resolution to adopt rules for the safe and efficient operation and maintenance of the transit district's transportation system, except that the rules are prohibited from relating to Subchapter H (License to Carry a Concealed Handgun), Chapter 411, Government Code.

SECTION 2. Effective date: upon passage or September 1, 2011.